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Docket No. 3178-4033US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Jay S. Walker, Bruce Schneier,
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CONTINUATION
OF SERIAL NO.: 08/685,706

Prior Application
GROUP ART UNIT: 3642
EXAMINER: Cain, D.

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FOR : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A CRYPTOGRAPHICALLY
ASSISTED COMMERCIAL NETWORK SYSTEM DESIGNED TO
FACILITATE AND SUPPORT EXPERT-BASED COMMERCE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the instant application, please amend the above-referenced
application as follows:

In The Claims:

Please cancel claims 19-66, 68-112 and 114-176 without prejudice or disclaimer.

In the event that a telephone conference would facilitate examination in any way,
the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the number provided.